

810-5-1-.237 Procedures for Issuing Provisional Registration Reinstatements.
(NEW RULE)

(1) Alabama vehicle owners whose motor vehicle registrations has been suspended pursuant to the *Code of Alabama 1975*, Section 32-7A-3, may apply to have their vehicle registration reinstated to either the Alabama Department of Revenue (ADOR) or the vehicle owner's county license plate issuing official. The vehicle owner shall be issued a Mandatory Liability Insurance (MLI) Provisional Registration Reinstatement (PRR) for his or her vehicle pending the confirmation of vehicle insurance coverage or evidence of vehicle liability insurance exemption; provided, that evidence of insurance coverage or proof of MLI insurance exemptions is collected along with the payment of any applicable reinstatement fee(s), by the county license plate issuing official or ADOR prior to the issuance of the PRR.

(2) The beginning effective date of the PRR will be the same date that the PRR document is issued. The PRR will be valid for a period of no more than 60 days.

(3) The following information and/or documents are required in order for a PRR to be issued:

(a) In cases where a vehicle owner affirms that the vehicle, for which the registration has been suspended, had insurance with an Alabama-licensed insurance company on the ADOR specified insurance verification date, the owner must provide evidence of said insurance coverage for the insurance verification date that includes: the insurance company name; the insurance company NAIC number, if available; and the policy holder's insurance policy/binder number. The insurance information shall be recorded on the PRR by the issuer.

(b) When a vehicle owner affirms that the vehicle with the suspended registration was stored or inoperable on the ADOR specified insurance verification date, the owner must complete and submit to the county license plate issuing official or the Department of Revenue, an affidavit of non use for the vehicle specifying the days that the vehicle was stored or inoperable. The vehicle owner's signature must be notarized or witnessed by a representative of a county tag issuing office or ADOR.

(c) If a vehicle owner affirms that the vehicle with the suspended registration did not have liability insurance coverage on the ADOR specified insurance verification date and the vehicle does not qualify as an MLI exempt vehicle, as defined under Section 32-7A-5, *Code of Alabama 1975*, in addition to any required reinstatement fee(s), the vehicle owner must affirm that the vehicle is currently covered under a liability insurance policy with an Alabama-licensed insurance company and provide to the county license plate issuing official or

ADOR: the insurance company name; the insurance company NAIC number, if available; and the policy holder's insurance policy/binder number. The insurance information shall be recorded on the PRR by the issuer.

(4) *Code of Alabama 1975*, Section 32-7A-9(c) provides that county license plate issuing officials shall forward required documentation regarding registration reinstatements to ADOR no later than the next business day. ADOR will receive insurance information through electronic means on a daily basis. A copy of every MLI exempt PRR generated by the county license plate issuing official shall be forwarded by said official, by mail, to ADOR or ADOR's designee by the tenth day of the month following the date the PRR was generated. Each MLI exempt PRR shall have attached to it, the prerequisite vehicle affidavit of non use and a coversheet as prescribed by ADOR.

(5) All reinstatement fees remitted by each county license plate issuing official shall be accompanied by a form prescribed by ADOR that lists the registrant and vehicle information associated with the reinstatement fee collected for each registrant.

(6) All reinstatement fees collected by each county license plate issuing official less 10% to be retained by the county as provided by Section 32-7A-9(f), *Code of Alabama, 1975*, shall be remitted to ADOR by the tenth day following the month that the reinstatement fees were collected. Funds are to be deposited directly to an ADOR designated account and the deposit slip for each deposit forwarded to ADOR, or the funds may be remitted by check to the ADOR.

(7) Alabama county license plate issuing officials are not authorized to issue consecutive PRRs for a motor vehicle, unless the preceding PRR for the vehicle has been voided due to clerical error and the replacement PRR is issued on the same business day as the original PRR.

(8) In cases where a county license plate issuing official has generated a PRR(s) in error for which reinstatement fees would normally be collected, a voided copy of the PRR(s) along with a brief explanation of the voided transaction(s) must be mailed or faxed to ADOR, or its designee, for processing no later than the close of the business day following the day that the PRR(s) was generated.

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History: